

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency
Washington, DC 20250

Notice TB-951

For: Tobacco State and County Offices

1999 Special Tobacco Combination Oversight

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

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Background

1-TB SCOAP, 9-TB SCOAP, and 10-TB SCOAP provide instructions for County Offices to accept and approve requests for special tobacco combinations of tobacco allotments, quotas, or both, without regard to the farm's PFC status.

As a condition of approval, producers had to agree to limit planted PFC crop acres, if applicable, to ensure that no additional budget outlays for price support would occur because of the combination of a PFC farm with a non-PFC farm.

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Purpose

This notice provides procedure for:

- oversight reviews
- compiling reports.

Disposal Date

April 1, 2000

Distribution

Tobacco State Offices; State Offices relay to applicable County Offices

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2 Conducting Reviews

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CED Action

To provide oversight coordination, each CED shall ensure, at a minimum, that the applicable County Office employee for the following programs read and understand this notice:

- tobacco
 - price support
 - compliance.
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Selecting Farm for Review

SED is responsible for ensuring that at least 15 percent, or not less than 10 farms for each county, are selected for review. Queries will not be available for this review.

In addition to the sample farms, the farms of all FSA employees and COC persons that are involved in special tobacco combinations shall be reviewed.

Follow procedure in 2-CP, paragraph 322 for preparing and selecting farms from a manual register.

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Review Items

Exhibit 1 is a worksheet to be used in determining the acreage limit for PFC crops.

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Results of Review

IF the farm is...	THEN...
in compliance	no further action is necessary.
out of compliance	<p>render the special tobacco combination void as of the date of approval.</p> <p>This action may result in tobacco being planted in excess of the allotment and marketing quota penalties on any excess marketing of tobacco.</p> <p>Note: If the producer has planted excess contract acres, it will have no effect on PFC.</p>

3 Reporting Review Results

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County Office
Report

CED is responsible for ensuring that:

- reviews are completed by January 18, 2000
- marketing penalties, if applicable, are collected
- results of the review are documented in COC minutes.

CED shall submit the report in Exhibit 2 to the State Office no later than February 4, 2000.

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State Office
Report

SED shall submit the report in Exhibit 3 to the Director, TPD no later than February 11, 2000.

Acreage Limit for PFC Crops

Farm Operator Name _____ **PFC FSN** _____

Item	PFC Farm Data	Acres
1	Total Cropland	
2	Total Effective Allotment or Burley Quota Equivalent (effective quota divided by the farm yield)	
3	Item 1 - Item 2	
4	Planted Acreage	
	Wheat	
	Corn	
	Grain Sorghum	
	Barley	
	Oats	
	Upland Cotton	
	Rice	
5	Total Planted PFC Crop Acres	

The total acres planted to PFC crops (item 5) **cannot** exceed the difference between the PFC farm's cropland and effective allotment or burley quota equivalent (item 3).

If the total PFC acreage in item 5 exceeds the acres in item 3, the special tobacco combination is rendered void as of the date of approval.

This action could result in tobacco acreage in excess of the allotment and marketing quota penalties on any excess marketings of tobacco from the involved farms.

Reviewed by:	Date	Determination (circle one) Complied Or VOID
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1999 Special Tobacco Combination Oversight Review

County Office _____

State/County Code _____

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| 2. Number of Special Tobacco Combinations Approved | _____ |
| 3. Number of Manual Special Tobacco Combinations | _____ |
| 4. Number of Special Tobacco Combinations Appealed | _____ |
| 5. Number of Special Tobacco Combinations Reviewed | _____ |
| 6. Number of Special Tobacco Combinations Voided | _____ |
| 7. Total Amount of Marketing Penalties, if applicable | _____ |

Remarks:

County Executive Director

Date

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State _____

State Code _____

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State Executive Director_____
Date